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DLNR ANNOUNCES AVAILABILITY OF FERAL GOAT CONTROL PERMITS FOR KALALAU VALLEY, ISLAND OF KAUA'I

-- Application forms due July 2, 2009

LIHU'E - The Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR) announces the availability of control permits for feral goats within the Kalalau valley and Pohakuaao portions of Hunting Unit G (between Manono ridge and Kalepa ridges) in the Na Pali Coast State Wilderness Park.

Because of the limited number of hunters that can be accommodated safely, and an expected large number of applicants, permits will be issued by a lottery process. Applications are now available at any district Division of Forestry and Wildlife office. The animal control activities will be held for two weeks on August 26-29, 2009 and September 9-12, 2009. Only hunters with tags will be issued camping permits in Kalalau Valley for these dates.

The deadline for submitting application forms to the Lihu'e Division of Forestry and Wildlife is **4:00 p.m., Thursday, July 2, 2009**. Interested applicants will need to show a valid 2010 hunting license.

For additional information, please visit the nearest Division of Forestry and Wildlife office and pick up application form and instruction sheet or contact the Division of Forestry and Wildlife at the following telephone numbers:

Kaua'i	274-3433	Moloka'i	533-1745	O'ahu	587-0166
Lana'i	565-6688	Maui	984-8100	Hawai'i	887-6063
Hawai'i	933-4221				

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Participants may apply singly or up to a maximum group size of four (4). Up to 40 participants will be drawn for each week, depending upon the last group size drawn.

The permit will be four (4) goats per participant; however two goats must be nannies (females). Participants will be permitted to use either muzzleloading or conventional rifles but may carry only one firearm on his/her person while participating for safety purposes.

Participants interested in attending the public lottery are welcome. **The lottery will be held on Thursday, July 9** in the second floor conference room 209 in the Lihu'e State Office Building, 3060 Eiwa Street, Lihu'e, Kaua'i at 3:00 p.m.

Successfully drawn participants will be notified by telephone or by mail after the official lottery results are final and will be given further instructions on obtaining their control and camping permits. Goat control permits will be free of charge and camping permits will be \$10.00 per person per night.

The deadline to receive full payment for camping permits will be **August 6, 2009** for the August control effort and **August 20, 2009** for the September control effort. Unfilled permits past the deadline will be offered to the next eligible group on the lottery list until all vacant slots are filled.

Those drawn for goat control permits will be allowed to enter Kalalau valley on the Tuesday prior to their assigned week. This will allow time to set up camp and scout the animal control area. Participants must provide their own round-trip transportation (via boat or foot only; no helicopter transportation will be permitted). State Conservation and Resource Enforcement Officers will be present during the activities.

This animal control action is authorized under HAR 13-123-9 and was reviewed and approved by the Kaua'i Aquatic Life and Wildlife Advisory Committee on March 5, 2009.